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SUBJECT: CCC CREDIT

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1. REQUESTED CCC CREDIT BROCHURES BEING AIR POUCHED.
2. CURRENT CCC CREDIT OUTLOOK FOR FY 1977 NOT REPEAT NOT PROMISING DUE TO EXTREMELY LIMITED BUDGET FUNDS AVAILABLE AND SLOPOVER OF PRIOR COMMITMENTS FROM FY 1976.
3. GHANA PROBABLY NOT, REPEAT NOT, DESIREABLE CCC CREDIT RISK BASED ON INFORMATION HERE ON CURRENT GHANIAN NEGOTIATIONS WITH U.S.S.R. REGARDING RESCHEDULING DEBTS. YOUR COMMENTS APPRECIATED.
4. HOWEVER, IN SEEKING APPROVAL OF CCC FINANCING, WE NEED FOR EACH COMMODITY REQUESTED ANNUAL GHANA IMPORTS AND PORTION FROM U.S. 1972-76 PREFERABLY ON FISCAL YEAR BASIS. ALSO ESTIMATE IMPORTS 1977 WITH BREAKDOWN BY

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5. ONE YEAR TERMS ARE CUSTOMARY. CURRENT INTEREST RATES ARE 8 PERCENT ON PORTION OF LETTER OF CREDIT CONFIRMED BY US BANK AND 9 PERCENT ON PORTION CONFIRMED BY FOREIGN BANK. AT LEAST 10 PERCENT OF TRANSACTION MUST BE CONFIRMED BY A US BANK. IN ORDER TO CONSIDER 3-YEAR REPAYMENT PERIOD, WE NEED INFORMATION FOR USE IN OBTAINING INTERAGENCY COMMITTEE APPROVAL SUCH AS TERMS OFFERED BY COMPETITION, ADDITIONAL PURCHASES LIKELY WITH 3-YEAR TERMS AND OTHER RATIONALE DEEMED USEFUL TO SUPPORT NEED FOR 3-YEAR CREDIT. CURRENT FINANCIAL POSITION OF GHANA WITH EMPHASIS ON EXTERNAL DEBT STRUCTURE AND ECONOMIC OUTLOOK NECESSARY FOR EVALUATION.

6. REPLY PASS AGRICULTURE, K.O. STEPHENS, OGSM/CEP DIVISION. KISSINGER

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